

## I-5 – South King County Projects Update

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### Federal Way I-5 Night Lane Closures

Pavement improvement work continues nightly on I-5 in Federal Way this week.

On **northbound I-5**, we are closing lanes **Sunday through Thursday nights** (April 10-14) from **Military Road to S. 320<sup>th</sup> Street**. The first lane closes at 6 p.m., the second at 7 p.m. and the third at 11 p.m. All northbound lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. each following morning.

This week, we are expanding the work on the southbound lanes further south, to Highway 18. The closures for the southbound lanes will begin at the same time for the entire stretch between Military Road and Highway 18, but lanes will reopen at different times north and south of S. 320<sup>th</sup> Street (see below).

On **southbound I-5**, we are closing lanes **Monday through Thursday nights** (April 10-14) from **Military Road to Highway 18**. The first lane closes at 7 p.m., the second at 9 p.m. and the third at 11 p.m.

All southbound lanes from **Military Road to S. 320<sup>th</sup> Street** will reopen by 5 a.m. each following morning.

From **S. 320<sup>th</sup> Street to Highway 18**, one southbound lane will reopen by 5 a.m., the second by 6 a.m., and the third by 10 a.m. each following morning.

The southbound I-5 closures from Military Road to S. 320<sup>th</sup> Street will continue for approximately three more weeks. The southbound I-5 closures from S. 320<sup>th</sup> Street to Highway 18 will continue next week (April 18-21).

### Federal Way I-5 Weekend Pavement Replacement

On the weekend of April 29-May 2, we are planning an around-the-clock, Friday night to Monday morning closure of two to three lanes of southbound I-5 from S. 336<sup>th</sup> Street (just north of Highway 18) to the Pierce County Line. (Last week we reported this closure for April 22-25, but it has been rescheduled.) We will close two lanes during the day and three lanes at night. This

closure is required for crews to replace 51 badly damaged concrete panels in the safest and most efficient manner possible.

This closure will occur simultaneously with closures of southbound I-5 in Seattle (see below). We'll provide more details in our April 26 e-mail update. For more information, please visit [http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/i5/hovPiercetoTukwila/I5HOV\\_Pierce\\_S320th/](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/i5/hovPiercetoTukwila/I5HOV_Pierce_S320th/).

## **Seattle I-5 Weekend Pavement Replacement**

This coming weekend, weather permitting, crews will begin replacing 40-year-old pavement on southbound I-5 between James and Olive Streets in downtown Seattle.

### **Friday, April 15 through Monday, April 18:**

The following lanes and ramps will be closed day and night for the entire weekend:

- Union Street off-ramp closure will start at 12 noon, Friday, April 15
- Howell Street on-ramp closure will start at 10 p.m. Friday, April 15
- Two lanes of southbound I-5 will close at 10 p.m., Friday, April 15

All lanes and ramps reopen by 5 a.m., Monday, April 18. Express lanes will be dedicated to southbound I-5 traffic all weekend.

For more information, please visit [http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/I5/James\\_Olive/](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/I5/James_Olive/). There you can also sign up for e-mail updates specific to I-5 in Seattle.

## **Construction Update: I-5 - S. 317<sup>th</sup> HOV Direct Access**

Crews have completed dowel bar retrofitting (pavement restoration) on southbound I-5 between Military Road and S. 320<sup>th</sup>. We are now grinding the pavement in that section.

Pavement grinding continues on northbound I-5 between Military Road and S. 320<sup>th</sup>, and crews are beginning dowel bar retrofitting there.

Crews also began setting rebar for widening the northbound I-5 bridge over Military Road. We're widening this bridge so we can extend the HOV lanes to S. 320<sup>th</sup>.

Along the southbound exit to S. 320<sup>th</sup>, crews completed the west side barrier (along the retaining wall) and did more paving on the ramp. We expect to shift traffic on this ramp over to the right – against the retaining wall – at the end of April.

The I-5 South 317<sup>th</sup> Direct Access Project is approximately 60 percent complete. To view the latest construction photos, visit [http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/I5/S317th\\_DirectAccess/photos/apr05.html](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/I5/S317th_DirectAccess/photos/apr05.html).

## **Construction Update: I-5 HOV Widening**

Last night, crews began grinding the pavement on southbound I-5 between S. 320<sup>th</sup> and Highway 18. This will level out ruts in the driving surface and improve traction. Crews will perform pavement grinding on this section of southbound I-5 each weeknight for two weeks (through Thursday, April 21).

## **Highway Advisory Radio Updates**

Tune your radio to **AM 1520** to hear a new project update each week on I-5 in Federal Way. Questions or comments? E-mail Laura Johnson at [JohnsoL@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:JohnsoL@wsdot.wa.gov).

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